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A Winter Seminar

THE METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY

Despite the experience of older metropolitan areas in the world, technological changes and the greater mobility of people have produced problems which will become pronounced in Toronto and other great cities of the world in the years ahead.

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OBJECTIVE

Public and private service organizations, labour, management and community associations have become increasingly aware of the effect of urban growth upon the opportunities offered by city life. Such groups have come to recognize that their actions and policies fundamentally affect, and are affected by the economic, social and institutional patterns of urban development.

It is intended that this first seminar on THE METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY, will serve to give perspective and a wider understanding of the forces and influences of urban life to a selected group of decision-makers from a wide cross-section of the community.

DISCUSSANTS

Among the speakers invited to participate are the following:

Mr. Walter H. Blucher
—international planning consultant
Detroit

Prof. K. G. Crawford
—former Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs
—Director, Institute of Local Government
Queen's University
Kingston

Mr. Eric Hardy
—municipal consultant,
Secretary, Ontario Municipal Association
Toronto

Dr. D. H. MacDonald
—Managing Director, H. G. Acres & Co.,
Traffic Consultants,
Niagara Falls

Mr. R. Haggart
—Columnist, Toronto Daily Star

DISCUSSION SUBJECTS

The Historical Development of Local Government in Southern Ontario. The people, their economy and traditions.

The Economic Geography of the Metropolitan Region—An examination of the geographic significance, the economy and natural and human resources of the region.

The Social Characteristics of Urban Dwellers—The impact of urban growth upon city dwellers; their social and cultural characteristics and behavioural patterns.

Forces Influencing the Growth and Development of the City—The influence of communications, transport and the effect of technological specialization and interdependence.

Political Action—The influence of special interest groups, parties and institutions on political action in Metro.

Revenues and Responsibilities—The powers, revenues and expenditures of local government as a determinant of development and organization in the metropolitan area.

The Future of the Metropolis—The physical form and organization of the metropolis; the responsibilities of citizens, public and private organizations.

ELIGIBILITY

For purposes of effective discussion, it will be necessary to limit the number of participants. Special consideration will be taken to ensure a balanced representation from the key organizations throughout Metropolitan Toronto.

TUITION FEES

A fee of $20 is charged for the seminar series. Cheques should be made payable to the University of Toronto. No refunds can be made after the closing date of registration.

APPLICATION

Applications for this programme will be invited in mid-September. Prior to that date, information respecting the seminar is available from:

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